## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Western District of Washington

In the Matter of the Seizure of (Briefly describe the property to be seized)  U.S. Funds from Two Subject Accounts: TD Bank, N.A. Account #441-1435278 & TD Bank N.A.  Account #441-1537529	Case No. 2:23-mc-00021-SKV
APPLICATION FO TO SEIZE PROPERTY SUI	
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I, a federal law enforcement officer or attorney for the penalty of perjury that I have reason to believe that the follow	e government, request a seizure warrant and state under ving property in the Western District of
Washington is subject to forfeiture to the Uni	ited States of America under18 U.S.C. §
981(a)(1)(C)* (describe the property):  Up to \$433,500 in U.S. Funds from TD Bank, N.A. Account # Inc., and up to \$25,000 in U.S. Funds from TD Bank, N.A. Acyou Corp. These funds are subject to criminal and civil forfeir (b)(1), 984, and 28 U.S.C. §2461(c), as proceeds traceable to f stolen property) & 371(conspiracy) and property involved in	ccount #441-1537529, held in the name of Surf and Turf2 ture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§981(a)(1)(A)&(C), 982(a)(1)& o violations of 18 U.S.C. §§2314 (interstate transportation
The application is based on these facts: See the Affidavit from Homeland Security Investigations Spe incorporated by reference.	cial Agent David Spitzer, continued on Attachment A and
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	Applicant's signature
	David Spitzer, HSI Special Agent
The foregoing affidavit was sworn to before me and signed in The above-named agent provided a sworn statement attesting	
Date:03/10/2023	Judge's signature
City and state: Seattle, Washington	Hon. S. Kate Vaughan, United States Magistrate Judge

Printed name and title

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1	AFFIDAVIT OF SPECIAL AGENT DAVID J. SPITZER
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6	I, David Spitzer, Special Agent of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), being
7	first duly sworn, upon oath, depose and state the following:
8	AFFIANT BACKGROUND
9	1. I am a Special Agent with United States Homeland Security Investigations
10	(HSI) and have been so employed since January 2020. In February 2021, I graduated
11	from the Criminal Investigator Training Program and the Homeland Security
12	Investigations Special Agent Training Program at the Federal Law Enforcement Training
13	Centers (FLETC) in Glynco, Georgia. While at FLETC, I received nearly 1000 hours of
14	training in such areas including, but not limited to criminal law, human
15	smuggling/trafficking investigations, and criminal procedures. Prior to being employed
16	with HSI, I was employed as an agent with the United States Border Patrol (USBP) for
17	eleven years and was assigned to the Sector Intelligence Units in El Centro, CA, and
18	Blaine, WA. In this capacity, I was responsible for conducting criminal investigations
19	regarding the violation of immigration laws of the United States. In 2009, I graduated
20	from the United States Border Patrol Academy at the FLETC in Artesia, New Mexico.
21	My education includes a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and a Bachelor of
22	Arts degree in Criminology from the University of Florida.
23	2. In the scope of my duties as an HSI special agent, within the meaning of
24	Rule 41(a) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, that is, a government agent
25	engaged in the enforcement of the criminal laws of the United States, I am authorized to
26	request the issuance of a federal seizure warrant.
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- 3. The facts set forth in this Affidavit are based on my own personal knowledge, knowledge obtained from other individuals during my participation in this investigation, including other law enforcement officers; interviews of cooperating witnesses; review of documents and records related to this investigation; communications with others who have personal knowledge of the events and circumstances described herein; and information gained through my training and experience.
- 4. Because this Affidavit is submitted for the limited purpose of establishing probable cause in support of a seizure warrant, it does not set forth each and every fact that I or others have learned during the course of the investigation. I have set forth only those facts that I believe are necessary to establish probable cause that DAVID SUBIL, the defendant, committed Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2 and 2314, and Conspiracy to Commit Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 371, and money laundering, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956 and 1957, and that proceeds of the Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property offenses and property involved in the money laundering offenses were transferred into, or through, the accounts for which I am requesting a forfeiture seizure warrant.

#### PURPOSE OF AFFIDAVIT AND PROPERTY TO BE SEIZED

- 5. I submit this Affidavit in support of an application for combined criminal and civil seizure warrants to seize the following:
- a. Up to \$433,500 in U.S. Funds from TD Bank, N.A. Account #441-1435278, held in the name of Global Supply P and P, Inc. (SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1); and
- b. Up to \$25,000 in U.S. Funds from TD Bank, N.A. Account #441-1537529, held in the name of Surf and Turf 2 You Corp. (**SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2**).

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- TD Bank, N.A. has its headquarters in Cherry Hill, New Jersey.
- 7. As set out below, there is probable cause to believe that DAVID SUBIL committed Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property and Conspiracy to Commit Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, offenses that constitute "specified unlawful activity" pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(c)(7)(D) and 1961(1)(D), and deposited proceeds of the offenses into one or more financial accounts, including the **SUBJECT ACCOUNTS** listed in paragraph 5, above.
- 8. I submit that there is probable cause to believe that the funds to be seized constitute, or are derived from, proceeds traceable to a violation of Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2 and 2314, and Conspiracy to Commit Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, and that the funds to be seized are therefore subject to civil and criminal forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 984 and 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), by way of 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c).
- 9. I further submit that there is probable cause to believe that DAVID SUBIL committed money laundering and that the **SUBJECT ACCOUNTS** contain funds involved in money laundering, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956 (concealment) and 1957 (spending). There is also probable cause to believe that the funds to be seized are property involved in Money Laundering, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§1956 and 1957, and are therefore also subject to civil and criminal forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(A) and (C), 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1), 18 U.S.C. § 984, and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c).
- 10. Due to restrictions arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, I request permission to present this application, affidavit, and request for seizure warrant remotely.

# LEGAL AND FACTUAL PREDICATE OF INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY AND MONEY LAUNDERING

11. An individual commits Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property when he "transports, transmits, or transfers in interstate or foreign commerce any goods, wares,

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merchandise securities or money, of the value of \$5,000 or more, knowing the same to have been stolen, converted or taken by fraud . . ." 18 U.S.C. § 2314.

- 12. An individual commits money laundering in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)(1) when he knowingly conducts, or attempts to conduct, a financial transaction with proceeds from specified unlawful activity, with intent to promote the specified unlawful activity or evade taxes, or knowing the transaction is designed in whole or in part to conceal or disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, or control of the proceeds or to avoid transaction reporting requirements. 18 U.S.C. § 1956.
- 13. An individual commits money laundering in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1957 when he engages, or attempts to engage, in a monetary transaction with proceeds of a specified unlawful activity in an amount greater than \$10,000 by, through, or to a financial institution. 18 U.S.C. § 1957.

### FORFEITURE AND SEIZURE AUTHORITY

- 14. Violations of 18 U.S.C. § 2314 (Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property) and 18 U.S.C. § 371 (Conspiracy to Commit Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property) are offenses that constitute "specified unlawful activity" under 18 U.S.C. § 1956(c)(7) and 18 U.S.C. § 1961(1)(B). Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) subjects to civil forfeiture "[a]ny property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to a violation of . . . any offense constituting 'specified unlawful activity' . . . or a conspiracy to commit such offense."
- 15. In addition, 18 U.S.C. § 984 applies in any civil forfeiture action commenced not more than one year from the date of the underlying offense and in which the subject property constitutes, among other things, funds deposited in an account in a financial institution. Under Section 984(a)(2), "[a]ny identical property found in the same place or account as the property involved in the offense that is the basis for the forfeiture shall be subject to forfeiture under this section." Thus, a court may order the civil forfeiture of monies found in a financial account into which deposits of criminal

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proceeds subject to forfeiture have been made, up to the amount of the forfeitable deposits that have been made into the account within the prior one-year period, without the need for tracing the funds to be forfeited to any specific forfeitable deposits.

- 16. Property subject to civil forfeiture under these authorities may be seized under 18 U.S.C. § 981(b), as incorporated by 18 U.S.C. § 982(b)(1). Section 981(b)(2) authorizes such seizures based upon "a warrant obtained in the same manner as provided for a search warrant under the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure." Section 981(b)(3) further permits the issuance of a civil seizure warrant "by a judicial officer in any district in which a forfeiture action against the property may be filed" and provides that such warrant "may be executed in any district in which the property is found." As described below, there is a basis for filing a civil forfeiture action in this district as up to \$433,500 of the funds held in SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1 and up to \$25,000 of the funds held in SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2 (collectively, the SUBJECT ACCOUNTS) constitute or are derived from proceeds of Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property offenses that occurred partly in this district.
- 17. Property subject to civil forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. § 981(a) (including the proceeds of Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property and Conspiracy to commit that offense) is also subject to criminal forfeiture via 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), which provides that:

[i]f a person is charged in a criminal case with a violation of an Act of Congress for which the civil . . . forfeiture of property is authorized, the Government may include notice of the forfeiture in the indictment or information pursuant to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. If the defendant is convicted of the offense giving rise to the forfeiture, the court shall order the forfeiture of the property as part of the sentence in the criminal case.

18. Property subject to criminal forfeiture under 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) may be seized pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(f). Section 853(f) provides that a court may issue a criminal seizure warrant when it "determines that there is probable cause to believe that the property to be seized would, in the event of a conviction, be subject to forfeiture and

1	that [a protective] order under [21 U.S.C. § 853(e)] may not be sufficient to assure the
2	availability of the property for forfeiture." Here, because the funds held in the
3	SUBJECT ACCOUNTS may be easily withdrawn, transferred, or otherwise made
4	unavailable for forfeiture, a protective order may not be sufficient to ensure they remain
5	available for forfeiture. For that reason, the United States seeks a criminal seizure
6	warrant, in combination with a civil seizure warrant.
7	19. As described below, there is probable cause to believe that up to \$433,500
8	in funds held in SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1 and up to \$25,000 in funds held in SUBJECT
9	ACCOUNT 2:
10	a. Is property constituting, or derived from, proceeds of DAVID
11	SUBIL's Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314,
12	and Conspiracy to Commit Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, in violation of
13	18 U.S.C. § 371, and therefore:
14	(1) Is subject to civil forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. §§ 981(a)(1)(C)
15	and 984, and to criminal forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), by way of 28 U.S.C.
16	§ 2461(c); and
17	(2) Is subject to seizure via civil and criminal seizure warrants
18	under 18 U.S.C. § 981(b), as incorporated by 18 U.S.C. § 982(b)(1), and 21 U.S.C.
19	§ 853(f), by way of 18 U.S.C. § 982(b)(1), respectively.
20	b. Is property involved in DAVID SUBIL's money laundering, in
21	violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956 and 1957, and therefore:
22	(1) Is subject to civil forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. §§ 981(a)(1)(A),
23	(C), and 984, and to criminal forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1), and 18 U.S.C.
24	§§ 981(a)(1)(A) and (C), by way of 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c); and
25	(2) Is subject to seizure via civil and criminal seizure warrants
26	under 18 U.S.C. § 981(b) and 21 U.S.C. § 853(f), by way of 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c),
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20. In this case, I respectfully request seizure warrants be ordered in this t, which I intend to execute by service on TD Bank, at 1701 Route 70 East Cherry New Jersey, 08003 or a local branch of TD Bank. This Court is empowered to issue seizure warrant for any property subject to civil forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. (b), and a criminal seizure warrant for any property subject to criminal forfeiture ant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(f), as incorporated by 18 U.S.C. § 982(b) and 28 U.S.C. (c). This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over a forfeiture matter under S.C. § 1355(a). It has venue to issue the requested seizure warrants under 28 U.S.C. 55(b) because many of the acts giving rise to the forfeiture occurred in the Western District of Washington. Accordingly, this Court has both jurisdiction and venue to issue the requested seizure warrants.

#### SUMMARY OF PROBABLE CAUSE

#### A. INITIAL INFORMATION

- 21. On January 24, 2023, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Blaine received information from the Stanwood Police Department regarding a fraud case being committed in Stanwood, Washington. It was reported that an individual representing himself to be an agent of Safeway, had stolen hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of Russian King Crab and Opilio Crab.
- 22. North Star Cold Storage (North Star) is in Stanwood, Washington, within the Western District of Washington. North Star processes, ships, and stores frozen products for other businesses throughout the United States. The Vice President of North Star, Linda Boggs, informed Snohomish County Sheriff's Deputy Klassen that one of her customers, Alexander Gorelik who owns Arctic Seafoods based in San Francisco, California, was the victim of fraud.
- 23. Gorelik authorized the release of two shipments of Russian King crab from the North Star facility on January 18, 2023, and January 20, 2023, to someone claiming to represent Safeway.

- 24. Based on the review of all relevant evidence I believe Christopher Delgado, Jennifer Zavala, and Bridget Wood to be alias' of David SUBIL. Similarly, I believe all of the emails that were sent from these aliases were operated by SUBIL. As discussed later in this affidavit, SUBIL was audio recorded multiple times throughout the course of this investigation. The contents of the calls, along with the totality of the available evidence, leads me to conclude SUBIL created the three aliases along with their corresponding emails and contact information.
- 25. Deputy Klassen contacted Gorelik and learned he had been contacted by multiple individuals purporting to represent Safeway. These individuals contacted Gorelik by email from the following addresses: chrisdelgado@safewaycorporate.com, jenniferzavala@safewaycorporate.com and bridgetwood@safewaycorporate.com. Gorelik had received documents to open an account with what he thought was Albertson's (Safeway's parent company) and received a vendor number. On January 3, 2023, Gorelik received an email from jenniferzavala@safewaycorporate.com with the subject line, "Vendor #". The e-mail from the "Invoice and Billing Supervisor" went on to read, "989425 Please reference this on all orders."
- 26. Gorelik later received a purchase order via email for \$432,000.00 worth of Russian King crab. Gorelik received a second purchase order via email for King crab from the same "Safeway" buyer for \$296,388.00. Both purchase orders were sent from Christopher Delgado (aka SUBIL) at the email, notifications@safeway2.odoo.com. I looked at the Odoo website. Odoo provides business management software tools, including billing and accounting. At the bottom of the purchase order emails, generated through Odoo, is the email, chrisdelgado@safewaycorporate.com, the website, www.safewaycorporate.com, and the telephone number, 800-674-3635. After receiving the purchase orders and believing they were legitimately from Safeway, Gorelik authorized the release of the product from North Star in Stanwood for both purchases.

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1	27. After the second order, Gorelik realized he had over charged and attempted
2	to contact the buyer by phone but was unable to reach him. Gorelik attempted to call
	every phone number provided by Delgado and his associates, including a phone number
4	Gorelik described as Delgado's (aka SUBIL's) cellular phone number, (208) 509-9598.
5	Gorelik stated he tried the toll-free numbers in the email signatures of
6	chrisdelgado@safewaycorporate.com (888-712-1983 Ext 730),
7	bridgetwood@safewaycorporate.com (800-674-3635 Ext 732), and
8	jenniferzavala@safewaycorporate.com (800-674-3635 Ext 710) to no avail.

28. Gorelik called the Director of Seafood from Albertson's, the parent company of Safeway, Anthony Snow, and discovered the people he had been communicating with did not work at Safeway or Albertson's. Gorelik was informed by Anthony Snow the purchase orders were fake, and that Arctic Seafood was not set up as a vendor for Safeway or Albertson's.

# B. SAFEWAYCORPORATE.COM AND ASSOCIATED CONTACT INFORMATION

29. The domain safewaycorporate.com, is not an actual Safeway e-mail or web server. Based on an open-source search, the domain "safewaycoporate.com" was registered to "Tucows Domains, Inc." on December 27, 2022<sup>1</sup>, the day before the first communication with Arctic Seafoods and its owner, Alex Gorelik. A subpoena was sent to Tucows Domain Inc. requesting subscriber information. A return came back listing Randy Nunez as the subscriber, with an associated address of 2453 SW 17<sup>th</sup> Street in Miami, Florida. HSI Agents have investigated the name and address provided. It does not

every domain name purchased through them, along with who owns it, and the date till which it

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Based on a search of Whois.com. According to their website, a Whois domain lookup allows you to trace the ownership and tenure of a domain name. Similar to how all houses are registered with a governing authority, all domain name registries maintain a record of information about

appear a Randy Nunez has ever lived at the address location provided. Based on this information, I believe Randy Nunez is another alias of SUBIL.

- 30. The hosting server of Tucows Domains, Inc is SiteGround.<sup>2</sup> On March 2, 2023, SiteGround responded to a preservation letter stating they had preserved information related to the fake Safeway email accounts and the associated Domain name.
- 31. The "Safewaycorporate.com" domain in each of the fake Safeway emails is set to automatically redirect to the actual Albertson's homepage. The real safeway.com domain, associated with one of the largest food and drug retailers in the United States, has been registered since 1995 and is administered by "Network Solutions LLC," and is Albertsons.com.
- 32. The 800-674-3635 and 888-712-1983 phone numbers listed in the e-mails from Delgado (aka SUBIL) and his associates do not appear to be real and are not listed on Safeway's website. A web search for those phone numbers produced no results associated with Safeway. Safeway's website lists their corporate phone number as 877-723-3929.
- 33. The e-mail addresses are also in the incorrect format for Safeway or Albertson's. Deputy Klassen and I have communicated with several actual employees from both companies and their e-mails are formatted "firstname.lastname@company.com," unlike the emails sent from Delgado (aka SUBIL) and his associates.
- 34. The Director of Seafood from Albertson's informed Gorelik the purchase orders were not valid or created with the software that Safeway or Albertson's uses.
- 35. On March 1, 2023, I spoke with Bob James, the Corporate Asset Protection Manager for Albertsons Companies. They confirmed the domain name was not real, none of the individuals in the fake emails had ever worked for the company, the emails and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://securitytrails.com/list/apex\_domain/safewaycorporate.com (last visited February 12, 2023)

purchase orders sent from the email accounts were not from their company, and the phone numbers were not associated with their company.

#### C. FAKE PURCHASE ORDERS CREATED BY ODOO

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36. On February 10, 2023, Deputy Klassen spoke to Odoo's Vice President of Sales and Customer Account Management, Brett Hydeman about the account used by Delgado (aka SUBIL) to send the purchase orders to Arctic Seafoods. Mr. Hydeman stated a "free trial" account was created on December 29, 2022, which is the day after communication began between "Safeway Corporate" and Arctic Seafoods. The last time Delgado (aka SUBIL) logged into his account was February 1, 2023, which corresponds to the date that the last purchase order was sent to Arctic Seafoods. The email address used to create the Odoo account was chrisdelgado@safewaycorporate.com and the name provided was Christopher Delgado (aka SUBIL). Odoo was able to provide the last internet protocol (IP) address used. An open-source search of this IP address reveals that it originates in Council Bluffs, Iowa and belongs to Google LLC. Mr. Hydeman was unsure if that IP address was related to their servers, or the IP address used by Delgado (aka SUBIL). Based on my training and experience, it is my belief that due to the sophistication of this scheme, it is likely that Delgado (aka SUBIL) would use a virtual private network (VPN)<sup>3</sup> to disguise his location and identity.

## D. FIRST AND SECOND PICK-UP FROM NORTH STAR COLD STORAGE

37. On January 23, 2023, North Star Cold Storage provided Deputy Klassen with bills of lading from the transactions involving Arctic Seafoods for January 18, 2023, and January 20, 2023. The bill of lading from January 18, 2023, listed 300 cases of 6/9 count red king crab and 300 cases of 4/7 count king crab. The second bill of lading was

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> According to Forbes, VPN software protects your information by masking your device's IP address. The software encrypts your data and routes it through secure networks to servers in faraway states or other countries. A VPN hides your online identity, allowing you to browse the internet anonymously. (https://www.forbes.com/advisor/business/software/why-use-a-vpn/)

dated January 20, 2023, and listed 360 cases of king crab legs and claws, 40 cases of Opilio snow crab and 240 cases of 6/9 count red king crab legs and claws.

38. North Star Cold Storage also provided Deputy Klassen with the trucker

truck arrived at about 7:08 a.m. and left at about 8:42 a.m. The log from January 20,

sign-in log from both days. The log from January 18, 2023, listed the driver's name as

2023, also listed Juan Sanchez from Jorge Trucking. The truck arrived at about 7:00 a.m. and left at approximately 9:00 a.m.

"Juan Sanchez" and the trucking company as "Jorge Trucking." According to the log, the

39. On January 23, 2023, Deputy Klassen reviewed footage from the North Star Cold Storage facility from January 18, 2023, and January 20, 2023.4 Video from January 18, 2023, showed a white truck with two axles and a refrigeration unit mounted above the cab arriving to pick up the merchandise. According to Deputy Klassen's review of the footage, the truck appeared to be at least 26 feet long, had a "Ryder" logo on the side, and a reflective stripe running the entire length of the box.

40. The videos showed several white cases, labeled on the top "Perishable Keep Frozen" securely sealed. These white cases were moved from the North Star Cold Storage facility into the truck on January 18, 2023, and January 20, 2023.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Based on Deputy Klassen's review of the surveillance footage and speaking with employees at the storage facility, it is apparent that the time stamp from the video is not accurate.

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41. When I spoke to the Albertsons Companies Corporate Asset Protection Manager on March 1, 2023, he confirmed that Safeway never uses Ryder trucks when conducting pick-ups.

42. On February 8, 2023, I sent a subpoena to Ryder for information regarding rental information for the trucks used on January 18, 2023, and January 20, 2023, to transport the stolen goods. On February 22, 2023, I received the Ryder rental truck agreement and global positioning records. The truck was rented by Global Supply Systems, Inc. with the listed contact as David SUBIL. The Ryder truck, rented by SUBIL picked up the stolen shipments from North Star on January 18th and 20th of 2023. SUBIL provided Ryder with the same contact number, (786) 403-3168, used to sell the stolen shipments in Florida. Ryder records also provided the driver information, which lists Juan Manuel SANCHEZ-Abreu with an associated Florida driver's license. This is the same driver that was identified picking the third shipment on January 25, 2023, as discussed in the paragraphs below.

#### E. THIRD PICK-UP FROM NORTH STAR COLD STORAGE

43. On January 23, 2023, Gorelik advised Deputy Klassen that Delgado had contacted him from the same cell phone number, (208) 509-8598, and was attempting to purchase a third truckload of crab. Gorelik advised he knew it was that number based on the number showing up on the screen when Delgado (aka SUBIL) called. On January 24, 2023, Gorelik sent Deputy Klassen the third purchase order for 6,250 pounds of 4/7 legs and claws and 6,250 pounds of 6/9 king crab, totaling \$450,000.00. This purchase order was sent to Gorelik from Delgado (aka SUBIL) at notifications@safeway2.odoo.com, but listed the chrisdelgado@safewaycorporate.com email account, as well as the www.safewaycorporate.com web domain at the bottom of the email. According to Gorelik, the purchase order had the incorrect weight, and another purchase order was sent to Gorelik approximately five minutes later with the correct weight (totaling 12,000 pounds instead of 12,500 due to the size of the pallets) and a total purchase order amount

of \$432,000.00. This purchase order was sent from and contained the same information 1 2 as the incorrect purchase order described above. Gorelik worked with North Star Cold 3 Storage to put product of lesser value in boxes labeled as the product ordered. Gorelik 4 then advised Delgado (aka SUBIL) the product was released. Soon thereafter, North Star 5 Cold Storage received a phone call from Delgado (aka SUBIL) to schedule the pickup, which was scheduled for 8:00 a.m. on January 25, 2023. Deputy Klassen arranged for 6 7 the use of unmarked vehicles to follow the truck from the North Star Cold Storage on 8 January 25, 2023, after the product was loaded into the truck.

- 44. On the morning of January 25, 2023, Deputy Klassen and members of the Violent Offender Task Force, operating in unmarked vehicles, set up around the North Star Cold Storage warehouse. Deputy Klassen contacted an employee at the facility, identified as A.L., and he advised Deputy Klassen he would handle the transaction like any other by bringing the driver the sign-in sheet and then loading the truck.
- 45. At approximately 7:00 a.m., Deputy Klassen observed a white tractor trailer bearing Florida license plate number JD29UD and registered to Juan Manuel SANCHEZ-Abreu, parked in the loading dock of North Star Cold Storage. At approximately 7:40 a.m., Deputy Klassen observed a male wearing a black hooded jacket exit the white tractor trailer and walk back to open the doors on the back of the trailer. Deputy Klassen observed the unknown subject and noted he was close in stature and appeared to look like the driver he had previously seen in surveillance footage from the pickup on January 20, 2023.
- 46. A.L. texted Deputy Klassen an image of the trucker sign-in log. Deputy Klassen observed that the driver's name and signature box were filled out with scribbles. The signature scribble bore a close resemblance to the signature from the prior two events. The trucking company name was listed as "Jorge Trucking." The cell phone number was clearly written as "360-798-4436." A.L. also texted Deputy Klassen a photo of the license plate as the tractor trailer departed the facility. The trailer plate was a

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47. Deputy Klassen and the unmarked units followed the tractor trailer as it traveled southbound on Pioneer Highway, eastbound on State Route 532, then southbound on Interstate 5. It exited on State Route 530 and initially turned into a gas station on the west side of Interstate 5, before crossing over Interstate 5 and going to the Pilot truck stop, located at 2430 State Route 532 in Arlington, WA, on the east side of Interstate 5. A passenger entered the cab, and the vehicle was refueled. Around 9:00 a.m., the truck exited the fuel stop and resumed driving southbound on Interstate 5. Deputy Klassen noted the "4" on the license plate had fallen off, and the license plate now read QA81KI.

- 48. Deputy Klassen contacted Trooper Eberle with Washington State Patrol's (WSP) Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division. Trooper Eberle advised Deputy Klassen that he looked up the truck's DOT number and it was not valid. Trooper Eberle advised that the State Patrol could open the weigh station south of the City of Everett, Washington, and perform a commercial vehicle inspection. The tractor trailer entered the weigh station and Trooper Eberle and Trooper Lemmon performed an inspection.
- 49. The driver was identified by Florida Driver's License as A.C.C. and the passenger was identified by Florida Driver's License as Juan Manuel SANCHEZ-Abreu.
- 50. WSP Troopers were advised by the occupants they were going to Portland, Oregon, to deliver the load to Albertson's. Trooper Eberle texted Deputy Klassen an image of the bill of lading given to him by SANCHEZ. It should be noted the bill of lading that SANCHEZ presented looked nothing like the two previous bills of lading that Deputy Klassen reviewed from North Star Cold Storage. The date on the top of the bill of lading SANCHEZ presented was January 18, 2023<sup>5</sup>, the trucking company was listed as Jorge Trucking, and the destination was listed as "Albertson's/Safeway at 17505 NE San Rafael, Warehouse 97230." The shipper was listed as Arctic Seafood with the street filled in as North Star Cold Storage in Stanwood, WA. The items loaded in the trailer were described as 12 units of frozen crab, weighing 1250. Handwritten diagonally across the document is "Call Chris" with phone number, (208) 509-8598 written directly underneath, which is the same number that Delgado (aka SUBIL) provided to both North Star Cold Storage and Arctic Seafoods. The seal number "0609777" was handwritten in different handwriting near the bottom of the document.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The date of this trip was January 25, 2023. See image of fraudulent bill of lading presented to Trooper Eberle below this paragraph.

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51. Deputy KLASSEN requested the current bill of lading from North Star Cold Storage, which had just been provided to the driver of the truck earlier in the morning. When Deputy Klassen received the image of the document, he noted it matched the other two bills of lading in format. The authentic bill of lading listed 12,000 pounds of product, almost ten times as much listed on the bill of lading presented to WSP Troopers.

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- 52. Based on this information, I believe the bill of lading SANCHEZ presented to WSP Troopers was forged and that SANCHEZ knowingly presented the forged document as they had been given the legitimate bill of lading before leaving North Star Cold Storage. Based on the photo of J.S.A on his Florida driver's license, Deputy Klassen informed me that SANCHEZ closely resembles the driver who also picked up the product from North Star Cold Storage on January 20, 2023.
- 53. The tractor trailer left the weigh station at approximately 10:45 a.m. and continued southbound on Interstate 5. A short time later, Deputy Klassen and other law enforcement officers initiated a vehicle stop of the tractor trailer near Tacoma,

Washington.

- Deputy Klassen instructed SANCHEZ to turn the vehicle off and step out, which he did. Deputy Klassen frisked him for weapons and attempted to read SANCHEZ his Miranda Warnings verbatim from the department issued card, but SANCHEZ stated he didn't speak English and needed a translator. Due to the traffic, it was difficult to hear so Deputy Klassen placed SANCHEZ in the back of a patrol vehicle. Deputy Klassen called the language line and, through an interpreter, read SANCHEZ's Miranda Warnings verbatim from his department issued card. SANCHEZ stated he understood his rights and that he did not wish to speak with Deputy Klassen. SANCHEZ was placed back into the rear of the patrol vehicle.
- 55. Deputy Klassen then spoke with the passenger, A.C., in another patrol vehicle. Deputy Klassen was sitting in the driver's seat, A.C. was sitting in the passenger seat, and a deputy with a bodycam was recording from the backseat. Deputy Klassen called the language line for A.C., as well, and, through an interpreter read the Miranda Warnings verbatim from his department issued card. A.C. stated he understood his rights and he was willing to speak with investigators without a lawyer present.
- 56. A.C. stated he and SANCHEZ both live in Florida, that he was out of money, and badly needed work. A.C. said he had worked for SANCHEZ before, and that SANCHEZ set up the transaction. A.C. said he used SANCHEZ's name at the cold storage facility because J.S.A was the owner of the trucking company. A.C. stated he and SANCHEZ had come from Florida on Friday to do this job, but he wasn't sure about the date. A.C stated he was delivering the product to Portland and didn't know anything about the paperwork SANCHEZ had given the trooper. A.C. showed Deputy Klassen a WhatsApp thread that included SANCHEZ's name at the top. A.C. scrolled through it, showing Deputy Klassen the length of their communication. Deputy Klassen didn't see any recent communication and didn't see if they had any communications regarding their

arrangement for this delivery, A.C. stated there was not.

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- 57. A.C. and SANCHEZ consented to a search of the van. Deputy Klassen removed the seal from the back of the trailer, reading "0609777" as listed on the fraudulent bill of lading but was not the same as the one, "0008788," listed on the legitimate bill of lading.
- 58. Deputy Klassen entered the back of the trailer and observed the pallets North Star Cold Storage loaded. Deputy Klassen was unable to move the pallets due to weight and could only inspect the closest two. They bore pallet "license plates" identical to two of the boards photographed and sent to Deputy Klassen by A.L., bearing the lot number 42435-N and boards 4 and 6. The product label showed Arctic Seafood King Crab, packed by North Star.
- 59. Deputy Klassen entered the cab of the vehicle, located, and seized multiple cell phones, a tablet, and GPS device, believing all could provide valuable evidence of this crime and that seizing them could preserve evidence while applying for a search warrant. Deputy Klassen searched for both the real and fake bills of lading but could not find either. There were numerous other bills of lading and trucking documents in manila envelopes, but these documents were not associated to the documents related to this date, so Deputy Klassen did not seize them.
- date, with the subject observed in the security footage from the theft that occurred on January 20, 2023. Based on his comparison of the two individuals, Deputy Klassen believes that it was SANCHEZ on both occasions based upon observed physical characteristics to include height, weight approximate age, dark-skin complexion, and a distinct bulbous nose. Additionally, the individual on the surveillance footage wore a hooded dark-colored jacket with a tan-colored pocket on the chest, right shoulder, and stomach area. During the in-person encounter with SANCHEZ, Deputy Klassen observed that SANCHEZ was wearing a dark-colored jacket with the hood pulled up and

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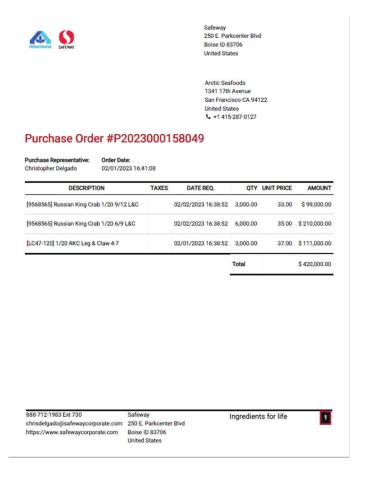
- 61. Based on his investigation, Deputy Klassen developed probable cause that SANCHEZ committed the crime of forgery and knowingly possessed a fraudulent bill of lading, which he used to avoid detection while transporting a load of fraudulently obtained product.
- 62. Deputy Klassen advised SANCHEZ he was under arrest and placed him in handcuffs. SANCHEZ informed Deputy Klassen that he was willing to release the truck to A.C. Deputy Klassen advised A.C. very clearly the product in the back of the trailer was not actually crab and was unsellable. SANCHEZ was transported and booked into the Snohomish County Jail. A few hours later SANCHEZ was bailed out of the Snohomish County Jail, and it is unknown where SANCHEZ. traveled to after he was released from police custody.
- 63. I reviewed the phone tolls for a 786-403-3168, one of the numbers SUBIL is the known subscriber of. On January 23, 2023, SUBIL, a resident of Miami, Florida, made phone calls to the Snohomish County Police Department, including their evidence room. SUBIL contacted two attorneys in the area. SUBIL also contacted a bail bondsman, and posted \$520.00 in bail to get SANCHEZ-Abreu out of custody.
- 64. On January 30, 2023, the Stanwood Police Department received a police report from the Sioux City, Iowa Police Department regarding a stolen tractor trailer reported on September 6, 2022. On that date, SANCHEZ reported that his tractor trailer had been stolen from the side of Interstate 29. This tractor trailer is the same vehicle, as identified by Florida license plate, that arrived at North Star Cold Storage on January 25, 2023, to pick up the third shipment. In the police report, SANCHEZ claimed he had a flat tire, walked to the nearest truck stop to get help, and when he returned found that his truck and trailer had been stolen. SANCHEZ informed police he had the keys and had locked the vehicle, so he had no idea how the thief was able to take the truck. According

to the report, SANCHEZ owned a business called Chris Trucking Road Services. It should be noted at the time of this theft SANCHEZ was hauling a load of Arctic Seafoods crab from Chesapeake, Virginia, to Seattle, Washington. Gorelik informed me that Arctic Seafoods was just moving product from one cold storage facility to another.

- 65. The Sioux City detective that investigated this crime noted that SANCHEZ stated he had a cell phone at the time of the vehicle breakdown but decided to walk a total of 45 minutes to get help instead of summoning help by using his cellular phone. After an initial conversation, the detective attempted to reach SANCHEZ and the number that initially worked for SANCHEZ was no longer in service. The detective also learned that the companies involved in this also were unable to reach SANCHEZ ever again. The detective also noted that route of travel did not make sense for a westbound trip from Virginia to Washington. At the time of the theft, SANCHEZ was traveling southbound through Sioux City, Iowa.
- 66. The detective concluded, through many interviews of people involved, that SANCHEZ was likely involved in the disappearance of his tractor trailer. At this time, throughout various locations in the Midwest, there were a significant number of vehicle thefts mostly involving tractor trailers full of meat. Due to the lack of evidence and an inability to reach SANCHEZ again, the Sioux City Police Department closed their case. Based on my discussions with other law enforcement officers involved in this case, as well as the evidence reviewed, it is my belief that SANCHEZ was probably involved in the theft of the merchandise inside his truck and likely sold the product for a considerable profit. It seems to be no coincidence that SANCHEZ and/or a coconspirator approached the same company, Arctic Seafoods, using a different name (Christopher DELGADO aka SUBIL), with the aforementioned scheme several months after being involved in the theft of their product.

#### F. FOURTH PICK-UP FROM NORTH STAR COLD STORAGE

- 67. On January 27, 2023, Detective Steven Martin with the Stanwood Police Department informed me that Delgado (aka SUBIL) contacted Gorelik once again to facilitate another transaction between the business attempting to impersonate Safeway and Arctic Seafoods. Since the communication is still occurring after the last shipment, it is my belief these shipments may be stored in a warehouse without being opened right away.
- 68. On January 30, 2023, Delgado (aka SUBIL) contacted Gorelik via cell phone to set up the next purchase. At the behest of law enforcement, to procure warrants, Gorelik informed Delgado (aka SUBIL) there was a snag in production, and he would need to push the next shipment to Thursday. Delgado (aka SUBIL) informed Gorelik he would call back on Wednesday to finalize the purchase to pick up the merchandise on Thursday, February 2, 2023. A few minutes later, Delgado (aka SUBIL) called Gorelik and asked him to send the invoice for the previous shipment on January 25, 2023. Due to this ongoing investigation, law enforcement agents advised Gorelik to send the invoice to Delgado (aka SUBIL). Arctic Seafoods has not received payment for any of the previous three shipments.
- 69. On February 1, 2023, Delgado (aka SUBIL) sent a purchase order to Arctic Seafoods in the amount of \$420,000 for a fourth shipment. As described earlier in this affidavit, the purchase order emails are sent from Delgado (aka SUBIL) at notifications@safeway2.odoo.com, but list the chrisdelgado@safewaycorporate.com email account, as well as the www.safewaycorporate.com web domain at the bottom of the email. A copy of the purchase order that is attached to the email is shown below:



70. The information contained in the above purchase order is not associated to the legitimate Safeway company. Based on the open-source search of the associated address, it returns to the Albertson's corporate office headquarters, which is Safeway's parent company. The phone number does not come back associated with any Albertson's entity. For reference, Detective Martin received a copy of a legitimate Safeway purchase order from Scott Heggan, the Meat, Seafood, and Deli Procurement Manager from the Seattle Division of Albertsons Companies, which is shown below.

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71. On February 2, 2023, at approximately 4:08 p.m. Linda Boggs from North Star informed me they had just received a call from Delgado (aka SUBIL) to schedule a pickup appointment for the following day, February 3, 2023, at 1:00pm. As shown on their caller identification, Delgado (aka SUBIL) called from the same number he had previously communicated with both Arctic Seafoods and North Star.

- 72. On February 2, 2023, at 4:21 p.m., Jennifer Zavala (aka SUBIL) (jenniferzavala@safewaycorporate.com) sent an email to Arctic Seafoods advising, "We have you scheduled for payment invoice #230120-1 on February 21, 2023." Previously, on January 23, 2023, Zavala (aka SUBIL) sent an email to Arctic Seafoods stating the first invoice (invoice #230118-2) will be paid on February 17, 2023. No payment was received by Arctic Seafoods on February 17, 2023.
- 73. On February 3, 2023, Delgado (aka SUBIL) called North Star, via his known phone number, (208) 509-8598, to cancel the scheduled pickup, stating there were truck problems.

- 74. On February 3, 2023, I sent a subpoena to T-Mobile for subscriber information and phone tolls related to Delgado's (aka SUBIL) number, (208) 509-8598. T-Mobile was able to send the phone tolls; however, they informed me that the service is with Tracfone Wireless. The T-Mobile representative informed me that Tracfone uses T-Mobile towers, so they were able to provide call data, but Tracfone holds the subscriber data. Tracfone provided the subscriber data, which showed the following subscriber: "copy\_1 1478424248," with the associated address: 1478424248, Boise, ID 83706. Based on my training and experience, I believe the subscriber name provided by the user is fake as well as the associated address.
- 75. On February 7, 2023, the owner of Arctic Seafoods, Alex Gorelik, was contacted by Delgado (aka SUBIL) via email from chrisdelgado@safewaycorporate.com. Delgado (aka SUBIL) stated, "Hello. I'm just checking in to see how the production looks this week. Give me a heads up if you can." Gorelik responded he would have a better idea the following month and Delgado (aka SUBIL) responded, "Oh, ok. What type of inventory do you have available at the moment?" Based on the information available during this investigation, it is my belief that Delgado (aka SUBIL) is attempting to get more merchandise from Arctic Seafoods, while continuing to misrepresent himself as a representative of Safeway/Albertsons. I further believe he intends on not paying for the merchandise.
- 76. On February 7, 2023, at approximately 4:15 p.m. North Star informed me that Delgado (aka SUBIL), had called them and scheduled a pickup of the last order. The purchase order related to the shipment had been previously sent on February 1, 2023, and is found on page 19 of this affidavit. The pickup was scheduled to occur on February 8, 2023, at approximately 11:00 a.m.

#### G. STOLEN PROPERTY FROM SHIPMENT 1 AND 2 IN FLORIDA

77. On February 1, 2023, at 8:52 a.m., Gorelik contacted me by telephone and stated that at approximately 7:30 a.m., one of Gorelik's customers, M.G., who is based

out of Florida, informed him he had received an offer by both text message and email from Bob INTERIAN of Jomara Seafood, based out of Hialeah, Florida, to buy crab.

M.G. informed Gorelik that based on the description of the seafood and the pictures that were sent to him by INTERIAN, it appeared to be Arctic Seafood's crab. M.G. noted the prices that INTERIAN offered were below market value.

- 78. Gorelik immediately suspected it was the crab stolen from Arctic Seafood by Delgado (aka SUBIL) and others, who previously represented themselves as Safeway corporation. M.G. forwarded Gorelik pictures INTERIAN had sent him, including pictures of the box and a label. The label showed the lot number (Lot #: 42306-N) that was listed on both the purchase order sent from Delgado (aka SUBIL) to Arctic Seafoods and the invoice that Arctic Seafoods sent Delgado (aka SUBIL) on January 18, 2023. This lot number was included in both shipments from January 18, 2023, and January 20, 2023. Additionally, the description of the crab matched what had been stolen in both pickups. According to M.G., the product was being held at Neptune Cold Storage, located at 7337 NW 37th Avenue in Miami, Florida.
- 79. On February 2, 2023, I contacted the owner of INTERIAN to inform him the products he was attempting to sell were stolen. INTERIAN stated he was unaware the products had been stolen. INTERIAN has been cooperative and sent all the invoices given to him by Global Supply P&P, the company that sold him the stolen property. He further stated he purchased the stolen property from an individual named "David".



80. INTERIAN stated he was given a business card by "David." This card had two phone numbers, 833-231-1955 and 786-403-3168.



81. On February 3, 2023, INTERIAN provided me with the receipt of wire transfers that Jomara Seafoods made to Global Supply P & P Inc. earlier. The wire transfers were all made to the TD Bank account listed on the invoice above, ending in -

- 82. Global Supply P & P Inc, is an active Florida Company. The company's registered agent is David SUBIL, and the registered address of the company is 6415 SW 42 Street Miami Florida, 33155. The Company was incorporated on September 15, 2020. This company has a website, https://www.globalsupplysystemsinc.com. While the number provided to contact the company on the website is 833-231-1955, INTERIAN informed me that he and David communicate using the other number on the business card, (786) 403-3168. INTERIAN sent me a contact card to my cell phone, which lists the contact's name as David Global Food and that number as its associated phone number. INTERIAN said that he has spoken to David via that phone number on several occasions, most recently on February 16, 2023.
- 83. I have reviewed Global Supply P&P's bank accounts. They do show wire transfers from Jomara Seafood. The deposit of these criminal proceeds into and through bank accounts controlled by SUBIL is addressed in more detail in paragraphs 113-126.
- 84. On February 16, 2023, a subpoena was sent to T-Mobile regarding the subscriber information for the phone number, (786) 403-3168. T-Mobile responded that the subscriber was David SUBIL with an associated address of 6801 SW 83<sup>rd</sup> Place in Miami, FL. According to T-Mobile, SUBIL has been the subscriber of this phone number since August 9, 2021.
- 85. SUBIL is the registered agent of a second company, SURF & TURF 2 YOU CORP, incorporated on May 25, 2022. The registered address is 6415 SW 42 Street Miami Florida, 33155. This company has a website, https://surfandturftoyou.com. The number provided to contact the company on its website, 833-231-1955, is the same as one of the numbers on the card given to INTERIAN by David.

86. Based on a search of the Florida Department of Motor Vehicles, SUBIL has an issued driver license (S-140-160-71-148-0) with two addresses listed. One being the registered address of Global Supply P & P Inc at 6415 SW 42<sup>nd</sup> Street in Miami, FL and the other being the address listed on the invoice above for wire transfers to Global Supply P & P Inc. at 6801 SW 83<sup>rd</sup> Place in Miami, FL. The address found on the top of the invoice for Global Supply P & P Inc. is 6800 Bird Road, PMB 462 in Miami, Florida. An open-source check of this address reveals that it is a UPS store in Mami, Florida.

87. David SUBIL has a long criminal history, including, but not limited to, Grand Theft of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, Grand Theft 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree and Fraud-Swindle. An online search reveals that in two prior instances, he has purchased seafood and meat with counterfeit checks.

88. I obtained a recent mugshot of David SUBIL. He was arrested by the South Miami Police Department in October 2022 for DUI and Damage to Property or Person.



89. On Tuesday, February 7, 2023, INTERIAN emailed still photographs from the surveillance cameras at Jomara Seafood in Miami, Florida. According to INTERIAN, the photographs depict the individual that sold him the crab and who he referred to as "David." Based on the investigation, I believe the man in the photographs is David SUBIL. Based on my experience and my knowledge of this investigation, I believe that

SUBIL is representing himself as DELGADO and using both phone numbers, (208) 509-8598 and (786) 403-3168.

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#### H. SURVEILLANCE AND GPS TRACKING OF FOURTH SHIPMENT

90. On February 8, 2023, at approximately 9:30 a.m., a dispatcher from NW Freight contacted North Star Cold Storage to confirm the pickup of the shipment. At approximately 11:30 a.m., a semi-truck with a black cab, bearing Washington license plate 94919RP, and white trailer, bearing Washington license plate 18986AG, approached the loading docks of North Star Cold Storage. I was able to see the cab had "NW Freight" on both sides of the truck's doors. A North Star employee approached the truck and was able to confirm this vehicle was, in fact, there to pick up the target shipment. The target shipment included a box with a court authorized GPS tracking device. On February 1, 2023, U.S. Magistrate Judge Mary Alice Theiler issued a warrant authorizing the installation of a GPS tracking device in the target shipment. No. MJ23-049-1 (W.D. Wash. February 1, 2023). After the warrant was issued, on February 1, 2023, at approximately 1:50 p.m., I installed the tracking device in one of the boxes and put the box in the middle of pallet 3.

- 92. Based on a review of the GPS tracking device, at approximately 5:00 p.m., the truck arrived at the Northwest Freight warehouse in Troutdale, Oregon, where it remained until February 9, 2023, and was then moved approximately five miles to another warehouse, located at 17600 Northeast San Rafael Street in Portland, Oregon. On Friday, February 17, 2023, the shipment moved to the area of Catalina Cold Transfer, located at 2927 NW 74<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Miami, FL.
- 93. I contacted Frozen Foods Express (FFE), the company believed to have shipped all four shipments to Florida. FFE provided a contract between them and Global Supplies Incorporated. The Contract listed David SUBIL as the contact and gave the 786-403-3168 (the number he is the subscriber of) number as contact. They also provided

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- 94. On Saturday, February 18, 2023, the shipment moved to the area of Florida's Best Services, located at 702 NW 6th Avenue in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Based on a Google search, it appears the business provides construction services, as well as junk removal.
- 95. On February 18, 2023, at approximately 3:00 p.m. pacific time, HSI Taskforce Agent Walter Duran went to the location of the tracker. Agent Duran noticed multiple pallets of boxes dumped outside the business and sent me photos. Based on this, I believe that SUBIL disposed of the shipment once he realized it did not contain the crab he was attempting to steal by fraud. At approximately 5:00 p.m. pacific time, Agent Duran was able to retrieve the tracking device I had placed. Agent Duran also stated with 70% certainty that he saw SUBIL by the discarded fourth shipment.

#### I. ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATION WITH SUBIL

- 96. On February 15, 2023, Delgado (aka SUBIL) contacted Gorelik and informed him they had opened the third shipment and determined the product shipped was not king crab. As previously discussed with law enforcement, Gorelik blamed the cold storage facility and determined that they would investigate what happened.
- 97. On February 15, 2023, and February 16, 2023, Delgado (aka SUBIL), using the same phone number, contacted Gorelik and discussed the third shipment and how they would handle the situation. Gorelik informed Delgado (aka SUBIL) it would be a process and the product should not be sent back to the cold storage facility at this time, until a full investigation can take place. These two calls were recorded.
- 98. On February 16, 2023, INTERIAN informed me David had contacted him from (786) 403-3168, the number belonging to SUBIL, and wanted to sell him additional

crab. INTERIAN told David he was no longer interested in the product. It is believed that David is still trying to sell the stolen merchandise acquired via the first two shipments of king crab from Arctic Seafoods.

99. On February 17, 2003, Delgado (aka SUBIL), once again, contacted Gorelik and informed him that he had opened the fourth shipment and realized that the product in the boxes was not crab. Again, at the behest of law enforcement, Gorelik explained he did not know what happened and they would investigate what happened. This phone call was recorded.

#### J. FLIGHT BOOKED TO COLOMBIA

100. On Saturday, February 18, 2023, I was notified that SUBIL had booked a one-way ticket from Miami International Airport (MIA) to Medellin, Colombia. The flight booking notification was based on an exact match of name and date of birth. The American Airlines flight (Flight # 1127) was scheduled to depart MIA at approximately 10:32 a.m. eastern on Sunday, February 19, 2023. According to Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the flight was booked on the morning of February 18, 2023, at approximately 8:48 a.m. Based on Passenger Name Record (PNR) data, which is collected at the time of booking, SUBIL would be traveling alone. According to CBP records, SUBIL has no international travel in at least the last five years. SUBIL has no known connection to Columbia. Based on my experience and the recent activity in this case, I believe this travel was booked to flee the country from potential prosecution.

#### K. ARREST OF DAVID SUBIL IN FLORIDA

101. On February 18, 2023, the Honorable David W. Christel reviewed and signed a Complaint and Arrest Warrant for David SUBIL (see MJ23-074). SUBIL was subsequently arrested on February 19, 2023, at the Miami Airport with the SUBJECT DEVICES on his person and over \$11,000 cash. SUBIL had his initial appearance in Miami, Florida on February 21, 2023.

from SUBIL'S business accounts to her business account when she asked for money. She stated the purpose of these transfers was for personal expenses, such as the house, car and credit cards among other things.

- 110. SALVATIERRA confirmed that SUBIL has two businesses called Global Supply and Surf & Turf 2 You. She also stated SUBIL bought freezers for the house and puts the product he sells inside those freezers.
- 111. SALVATIERRA stated SUBIL'S trip to Colombia was a planned business trip. She reported SUBIL had not been to Colombia before, and she wasn't sure what the exact purpose of the trip was. She had expected him to be gone for two to three weeks. SALVATIERRA said SUBIL had been attempting to venture out to other locations to purchase merchandise.
- 112. Several items were removed from SUBIL'S residence, including multiple digital devices, financial and business documents, photos and business cards for Global.

#### M. SEIZURE OF FUNDS IN SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1

- ACCOUNT 1, all of which is proceeds from SUBIL's Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property offenses. Under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 984, the Court may order the civil forfeiture of monies found in a bank account into which deposits of criminal proceeds subject to forfeiture have been made, up to the amount of the forfeitable deposits that have been made into the account within the prior one-year period, without the need for tracing the funds to be forfeited to any specific forfeitable deposits.
- 114. **SUBIL** deposited a total of \$433,500 of criminal proceeds into **SUBJECT**1, within the past three months. SUBIL opened this account and is the sole signatory on the account. After these proceeds were deposited into **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1**, SUBIL transferred \$25,000 to **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2**. SUBIL also opened **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2** and is the sole signature on the account. SUBIL also withdrew some of these proceeds in cash, sent funds to others, and made various purchases. SUBIL

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engaged in money laundering by transferring the proceeds of his offense through SUBJECT ACCOUNTS 1 and 2, with the intent to conceal or disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, or control of these proceeds or to avoid transaction reporting requirements, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1956. Eight of these transfers, involving more than \$10,000 of criminal proceeds, also constitute incidences of spending money laundering, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1957.

115. TD Bank records reflect five deposits to **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** between January 30, 2023, and February 10, 2023. Four of these deposits were wire transfers by Jomara Seafoods, the company that purchased the stolen seafood from SUBIL. The only other deposit to **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** was a February 6, 2023, wire transfer of \$1,400 from an unknown source.

DATE	FROM	ТҮРЕ	AMOUNT
1-31-2023	Jomara Seafoods	Wire transfer	\$75,500
2-1-2023	Jomara Seafoods	Wire transfer	\$63,250
2-2-2023	Jomara Seafoods	Wire transfer	\$150,000
2-3-2023	Jomara Seafoods	Wire transfer	\$144,750
		TOTAL	\$433,500

Seafoods on January 31, 2023. The balance on **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** prior to this wire from Jomara was \$526.24. The same day, DAVID SUBIL withdrew \$42,500 from **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** and made a wire transfer of \$5,000 from **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** to a Truist Bank account in his name ending x9022. At least \$41,973.76 of this wire transfer was proceeds of SUBIL's offense (treating the \$526.24 as untainted funds). The balance in **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** after these debits was \$28,210.49.

- 117. **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** received a wire transfer of \$63,500 from Jomara Seafoods on February 1, 2023. The balance on **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** prior to the second wire from Jomara was \$28,210.49, which consisted entirely of the remaining funds from the January 31, 2023, wire from Jomara Seafoods. On February 1, 2023, SUBIL withdrew \$5,000 from **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1**, and made various other debits to the account.
- Jomara Seafoods on February 2, 2023. The balance on **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** prior to the third wire from Jomara was approximately \$87,346.85, which consisted entirely of the remaining funds from the first two Jomara wires. On February 2, 2023, SUBIL depleted approximately \$168,468.26 from **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1**, including a withdrawal of \$109,000 and transfers to other financial accounts controlled by SUBIL and his family, including \$5,000 to **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2**.
- Jomara Seafoods on February 3, 2023. The balance on **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** prior to the fourth wire from Jomara was approximately \$68,878.59, which consisted entirely of the remaining funds from the first three Jomara wires. Subsequently, SUBIL has depleted approximately \$179,555.90 from **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1**, including what appear to be cash withdrawals totaling \$102,000 and \$25,000 in transfers to **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2**.
- 120. SUBIL's transfer of proceeds through **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** was designed, in whole or in part, to conceal the nature, source, location, ownership, or control of the proceeds.
- 121. The table below summarizes the proceeds deposited into **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** and the subsequent transactions involving more than \$10,000 of proceeds, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1957:

DATE	TRANSACTION	PROCEEDS DEPOSITED	PROCEEDS TRANSFERRED
1-31-2023	Jomara Seafoods wire	\$75,500	
1-31-2023	Withdrawal		\$42,500
2-1-2023	Jomara Seafoods wire	\$63,250	
2-2-2023	Jomara Seafoods wire	\$150,000	
2-2-2023	Withdrawal		\$109,000
2-3-2023	Jomara Seafoods wire	\$144,750	
2-3-2023	Withdrawal		\$20,835.54
2-3-2023	Withdrawal		\$45,000
2-3-2023	Withdrawal		\$37,000
2-7-2023	Wire to J.A.F.		\$15,000
2-7-2023	TO SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2		\$15,000
2-9-2023	Wire to J.A.F.		\$15,000
		TOTAL	\$299,335.54

122. The balance on **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1**, as of February 10, 2023, was approximately \$98,818.43.

#### N. SEIZURE OF FUNDS IN SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2

ACCOUNT 2, all of which is proceeds from SUBIL's Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property offenses. After the proceeds were deposited into SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1, SUBIL transferred \$25,000 of those proceeds to and through SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2. Under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 984, the Court may order the civil forfeiture of monies found in a bank account into which deposits of criminal proceeds subject to forfeiture have been made, up to the amount of the forfeitable deposits that have been made into the account within the prior one-year period, without the need for tracing the funds to be forfeited to any specific forfeitable deposits.

124. SUBIL engaged in money laundering by transferring the proceeds of his offense through **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** to **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2**, with the intent to conceal or disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, or control of these

proceeds or to avoid transaction reporting requirements, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1956. SUBIL then transferred \$15,000 to Forever Wholesaler, Inc. He also engaged in spending money laundering, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1957.

125. TD Bank records reflect three deposits to **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2** between January 30, 2023 and February 8, 2023. All were transfers of proceeds from **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** to **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2**. Prior to the first transfer, the balance on **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2** was \$6.01.

DATE	DEPOSIT FROM	ТҮРЕ	AMOUNT
2-2-2023	SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1	Transfer	\$5,000
2-7-2023	SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1	Transfer	\$15,000
2-7-2023	SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1	Transfer	\$5,000
		TOTAL	\$25,000

126. The balance on **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2**, as of February 8, 2023, was approximately \$5,146.20.

#### **CONCLUSION**

- 127. Based on the foregoing, I submit that there is probable cause to believe that up to \$433,500 in funds held in **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 1** and up to \$25,000 in funds held in **SUBJECT ACCOUNT 2**:
- a. Is property constituting, or derived from, proceeds of DAVID SUBIL's Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2314, and Conspiracy to Commit Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, and therefore:
- (1) Is subject to civil forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. §§ 981(a)(1)(C) and 984, and to criminal forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C), by way of 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c); and

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1	(2) Is subject to seizure via civil and criminal seizure warrants
2	under 18 U.S.C. § 981(b), as incorporated by 18 U.S.C. § 982(b)(1), and 21 U.S.C.
3	§ 853(f), by way of 18 U.S.C. § 982(b)(1), respectively.
4	b. Is property involved in DAVID SUBIL's money laundering, in
5	violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1956 and 1957, and therefore:
6	(1) Is subject to civil forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. §§ 981(a)(1)(A),
7	(C), and 984, and to criminal forfeiture under 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1), and 18 U.S.C.
8	§§ 981(a)(1)(A) and (C), by way of 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c); and
9	(2) Is subject to seizure via civil and criminal seizure warrants
10	under 18 U.S.C. § 981(b) and 21 U.S.C. § 853(f), by way of 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c),
11	respectively.
12	128. This warrant is being submitted via reliable electronic means. Fed. R. Crim
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16	DAVID J. SPITZER, Affiant
17	Special Agent Homeland Security Investigations
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20	The above named agent provided a sworn statement to the truth of the foregoing
21	affidavit by telephone on the 10th day of March, 2023.
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24	THE HON. S. KATE VAUGHAN
25	United States Magistrate Judge
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